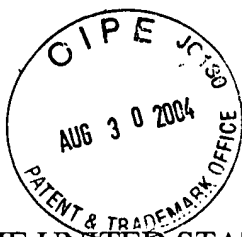


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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of this Application, please amend the Application as follows: